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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF LAW & PUBLIC SAFETY  
DIVISION OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS  
BOARD OF NURSING

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IN THE MATTER OF THE LICENSE : Administrative Action  
APPLICATION OF :  
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EVELYN SUAREZ : CONSENT ORDER  
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TO PRACTICE AS A LICENSED :  
PRACTICAL NURSE IN THE :  
STATE OF NEW JERSEY :  
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This matter was opened to the New Jersey State Board of Nursing ("Board") upon receipt of Evelyn Suarez's application for licensure by examination. Upon a review of the application, and the results of the Criminal History Background

Check, it was ascertained by the Board that although the applicant had checked "no" in response to the questions relating to arrests and/or convictions on her application and on the Criminal History Background Check, she had been arrested in New Jersey on or about September 16, 1997 and charged with theft. On March 4, 1998, she was convicted of a local ordinance violation and assessed a \$500.00 fine and \$30.00 in costs.

Ms. Suarez claimed that she checked "no" in response to the questions because she misread the questions. The Board finds that respondent knew or should have known that by checking "no" on the application in response to three questions about arrests and/or convictions she was providing inaccurate information, and that she therefore engaged in misrepresentation on her application in violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). The Board finding that the granting of licensure as well as entry of the within order are appropriate, and sufficiently protective of the public health, safety and welfare, and for other good cause shown;

IT IS ON THIS 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2013

HEREBY ORDERED AND AGREED THAT:

1. A \$250.00 civil penalty is hereby imposed upon respondent for the violation of N.J.S.A. 45:1-21(b). Payment shall be in the form of a certified check or money order, and shall be submitted along with this signed order.

2. The applicant's application for licensure shall be granted upon payment of all applicable fees and passing the required examination.

NEW JERSEY STATE BOARD OF NURSING

By: Patricia Murphy PhD APN  
Patricia Ann Murphy, PhD, APN, C  
Board President

I have read and understand the  
Within Consent Order and  
agree to be bound by its terms.

E. Suarez  
Evelyn Suarez